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 Appellant: Shunpei Yamazaki, Jun Koyama, Yu  
 Application No: Yamazaki et al.  
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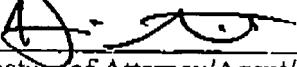
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